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For: FLAME-RETARDANT STYRENE TYPE RESIN COMPOSITION AND MOLDED  
PRODUCT THEREFROM

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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Sir:

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Communication is not submitted herewith because it was already submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed February 22, 2007.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (1) No later than three months from the application's filing date; (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants submit the following explanations:

1. The indication in the International Search Report of the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office and the submission of an English language abstract for JP-A-2001-2945 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP-A-2001-2945.

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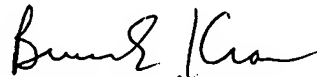
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